

COPY

PECENTED GROUP 3600

GROUP ART UNIT

2683

The dating stamp of the Patent Office on this card will be taken as an indication that the accompanying paper was filed. Applicant(s) Gordon T. Brown	- Transmittal Form - Information Disclosure Statement - PTO/SB/08A Form (3) - PTO/SB/08B Form - Copies of 45 references
Serial No09/975,458	1
Paper Dated: December 18, 2001	RECEIVED
Atty's File W 47781-6	EC 2
AGT: ers RECEN	Technology Center 2600
DEC 2 8 2001 DEC 2 1	2001
P8 & G Technology Cent	er 2600 # 12,26P

PTICSB2/1 (86-40)

Approved for use through 109-170/SE2/1 (86-40)

U.S. Patent and Trademark Offices. U.S. EPPAPE AND TO COMMERCE

U.S. Patent and Trademark Offices. U.S. EPPAPE AND TO COMMERCE

Approved in Commerce of Commerce

U.S. Patent and Trademark Offices u.S. EPPAPE AND TO COMMERCE

U.S. Patent and Trademark Offices u.S. EPPAPE AND TO COMMERCE

U.S. Patent and Trademark U.S. EPPAPE AND TO COMMERCE

U.S. Patent and Trademark U.S. EPPAPE AND TO COMMERCE

U.S. Patent and Trademark U.S. EPPAPE AND TO COMMERCE

U.S. Patent and Trademark U.S. EPPAPE AND TO COMMERCE

U.S. Patent and Trademark U.S. EPPAPE AND TO COMMERCE

U.S. Patent and Trademark U.S. EPPAPE AND TO COMMERCE

U.S. Patent and Trademark U.S. EPPAPE AND TO COMMERCE

U.S. Patent and Trademark U.S. EPPAPE AND TO COMMERCE

U.S. Patent and Trademark U.S. EPPAPE AND TO COMMERCE

U.S. Patent and Trademark U.S. EPPAPE AND TO COMMERCE

U.S. Patent and Trademark U.S. EPPAPE AND TO COMMERCE

U.S. Patent and Trademark U.S. EPPAPE AND TO COMMERCE

U.S. Patent AND

PTO/SB/21 (08-00)

Application Number 09/975.458 **TRANSMITTAL** 10/11/2001 Filing Date Gordon T. Brown **FORM** First Named Inventor (to be used for all correspondence after initial filing) Group Art Unit

Examiner Name

Total Number of	of Pages in This Submission		Attorney Docket	Number	47781-6	
ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)						
Fee Transmittal For Fee Attached Amendment / Reply After Final Affidavits/de Extension of Time F	d	Assignm (for an a) Drawing Licensir Petition Provisic Power of Change Address	nent Papers Application) (s) g-related Papers to Convert to a nal Application of Attomey, Revocat of Correspondence	tion	After Allowance Communication to Group Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences Appeal Communication to Group (Appeals And Interferences) Appeal Communication to Group (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief) Proprietary Information Status Letter Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below):	
Information Disclose Certified Copy of Pr Document(s) Response to Missin Incomplete Applicat	ure Statement riority Re	, ,	t for Refund mber of CD(s)		AGENT OUT STATES	
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT						
Firm or Individual name	Alan G. Towner Pietragallo, Bosick & Gordon			3600		
Signature Date	Clin & D-CUMY 12/18/2001					

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231 on this date: Typed or printed name Date

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 0.2 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, Patient and Tradement, Office, Washington, DC 2023.1. DN OT SND FEES SND COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SRIN TO: Assistant On To: Assistant Operatins, Washington, DC 2023.1.

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Gordon T. Brown : AUTOMATED ACCOUNTING : SYSTEM

Serial No.: 09/975.458

Filed: October 11, 2001 : Attorney Docket No. 47781-6

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

December 18, 2001

VIA HAND DELIVERY
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR Sections 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98,

Applicant submits herewith the attached Forms PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B for consideration during prosecution of this application. Copies of the cited references are enclosed, except for U.S. Patent No. 5,220,500 Baird et al., which is several hundred pages long. The Baird et al. patent can be found in the file of parent application Strail

Since this statement is being filed within three months of the application

No.08/313,988, from which the present application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §120

filing date, no fee is required pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)(1). However, if a fee is required the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account 500859.

This Statement is filed solely for the purpose of complying with the pertinent rules of the Office and is not intended to be a substitute for an independent evaluation by the Examiner of the art cited or an independent search by the Examiner, and no representation of any nature is made or intended by the filing of this Statement.

Respectfully submitted

Alan G. Towner Registration No. 32,949

Pietragallo, Bosick & Gordon One Oxford Centre, 38th Floor

301 Grant Street Pittsburgh, PA 15219 Attorney for Applicant

(412) 263-4340